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AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

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The Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks in Response to the Office Action dated August 9, 2007 in the above referenced patent application.

Concurrently, the Applicants request a one-month extension of time to extend the time for response from November 9, 2007 to December 9, 2007 and hereby authorizes that the fees for a one-month extension of time be withdrawn from the deposit account identified in the "Conclusion" section of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 8 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.